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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, ETRD, JO
SUBJECT: ARAB BOYCOTT: REPRESENTATIONS TO GOJ

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REF: STATE 43697, STATE 43706, STATE 43693

1. ON MARCH 6, AMBASSADOR CALLED ON GOJ MINISTER OF FINANCE, MOHAMMAD DABBAS, TO DISCUSS CONTENTS OF REFTELS. AMBASSADOR LEFT AIDE MEMOIRE, BASED ON STATE 43693, WITH DABBAS. (COPY BEING POUCHED TO NEA/ARN.) COPY OF TEXT OF SECRETARY'S STATEMENT TO SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE

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ON INTERNATIONAL FINANCE AND HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE IS ALSO BEING PROVIDED TO DABBAS AT HIS REQUEST.

2. DABBAS, AS EXPECTED, WAS RECEPTIVE TO AMBASSADOR'S PRESENTATION. ALSO, AS EXPECTED, DABBAS POINTED OUT THAT POLITICAL REALITIES OF ARAB WORLD DO NOT PERMIT JORDAN TO TAKE LEAD TO CHANGE PRINCIPLES OR PRACTICES OF ARAB BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL. HE STATED, AS HE HAS IN THE PAST, THAT JORDAN IS NOT FREE TO ADDRESS THIS MATTER STRICTLY ON MERITS OF THE CASE. HE DID, HOWEVER, OFFER THAT HE WILL INFORM JORDAN'S COUNCIL OF MINISTERS FULLY ON AMBASSADOR'S PRESENTATION AND ASSERTED THAT JORDAN WILL SUPPORT INITIATIVE OF OTHER ARAB STATES TO RESPOND FAVORABLY TO OUR CONCERNS REGARDING BOYCOTT. THIS ASSERTION, THOUGH MADE IN GENERAL TERMS, WAS IN RESPONSE TO AMBASSADOR'S COMMENT THAT OTHER ARAB STATES HAVE BEEN MOVING TOWARDS ACCEPTANCE OF POSITIVE CERTIFICATION.

3. AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME, DABBAS ADDED, REACTION TO WASHINGTON POST STORY ALLEGING CIA PAYMENTS TO KING HUSSEIN MAKES IT VERY DIFFICULT FOR GOJ TO BE FORTHCOMING ON ANY USG PROPOSAL OR REQUEST THAT IS CONTROVERSIAL IN ARAB WORLD. DABBAS ALSO NOTED THAT ISSUE OF BOYCOTT IS NOT ONLY INTERNATIONALLY SENSITIVE FOR JORDAN,BUT THAT BECAUSE OF LARGE NUMBER OF PALESTINIANS IN GOJ AND POPULATION AT LARGE, ANY CHANGES IN GOJ PRACTICE BECOME PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE
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AND THUS BECOME MATTERS OF DOMESTIC POLITICAL SENSITIVITY AS WELL.

4. EMBASSY WILL ATTEMPT MONITOR RESULTS OF GOJ CABINET DISCUSSION ON SUBJECT AND EPORT RESULTS TO DEPARTMENT. ANY FURTHER INDICATIONS BY DEPARTMENT AND AREA POSTS OF FAVORABLE CHANGES IN OTHER ARAB POSITIONS THAT WE CAN PASS ON TO GOJ WILL BE BEST MEANS OF INFLUENCING GOJ TO CHANGE ITS POSITION ON BOYCOTT.
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